

## **FY2004 Budget Resolution: Investing in EDUCATION**

**Title I.** The Budget assumes a \$1 billion increase over 2003 for Title I Education for the Disadvantaged grants to local education agencies to help high poverty school districts meet the reforms in the No Child Left Behind Act.

**Special Education.** The Budget assumes a \$1 billion funding increase for Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) to help states pay the excess costs of educating over 6.5 million children with disabilities. The Budget also provides for a \$205 million cap adjustment in 2004 if a reauthorization bill is enacted that reforms IDEA. In addition, the Budget assumes a \$1 billion increase every year through 2009 for Part B grants to states.

**Head Start.** The Budget provides \$6.8 billion for Head Start, a 2.2 percent increase over 2003.

**Impact Aid.** The Budget rejects the President's requested reduction of Impact Aid funding and maintains the program at the 2003 level of \$1.2 billion.

**Pell Grants.** The Pell Grant program has had a shortfall in recent years as the number of recipients and maximum awards have increased. The Budget provides enough funding for the upcoming academic year at the maximum award level of \$4,050 and partially eliminates the shortfall. The maximum Pell grant has gone from \$3,000 in 1998 to \$4,050 this year - a 35 percent increase in just five years.